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\$1 A YEAR

Columbia College.

This new institution occupying grounds and buildings which cost more than two hundred thousand dollars has finished its first year with marked success. It has a large and competent faculty and offers rare opportunities and unusual facilities for a complete education. In its general courses of study it meets the demands in all departments of life. The classical course covers the field of culture and thought in the sciences and in literature. In Music and Art the student can be advanced along esthetic lines. In the Business Course he can be fitted for the affairs of the counting room and for work in stenography. In the Normal Department students are well-trained as teachers for the school-room. In its Domestic Course, cooking, dress-making, sewing and needle work are taught. In its Bible School the religious side of the student's character is well cared for. Indeed due regard and attention are given to the whole man the physical, the mental, the social, the commercial and the moral.

Parents would do well to write to the President, G. A. Nunnally at Lake City, Fla., for information and catalog.

Minutes of School Board.

Madison, Fla., Aug. 4, 1908. Board met promptly at 10 a. m. in Full Board present, minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Messrs. Cooley and Ragau appeared before the Board and asked that some arrangements be made for pupils from Florida attending the High school in Georgia. On motion action was deferred till the next meeting for further investigation.

The superintendent was ordered to have pump put down at the new school on the Blue Springs road.

Mr. W. Harris was appointed supervisor of Higdon school.

The school house at Hanson was ordered repaired.

The superintendent submitted the following report which was read and approved. During the scholastic year ending June 30th, 1908, the schools of this county have made gratifying progress. The enrollment has increased from 4530 in 1907 to 4850 in 1908, and the average attendance has increased from 8088 in 1907 to 8200 in 1908, a net increase of almost 10 per cent in one year.

It has been the policy of the Board to raise the salaries of teachers and lengthen the term of schools as much as the funds at their disposal would permit. The past year the teachers in most schools were raised \$5.00 per month, and the average term for white schools was five months and four days, while the average for last year was four months and twelve days, and the average for 1902 was only three months.

Seven new buildings and two additions to old buildings have been constructed during the past year, or are now in process of construction. All of these are neat frame buildings, furnished with good blackboards and comfortable patent pine desks.

The business of the School Board was in excellent shape. Although salaries of teachers have been raised, the same lengthened and new buildings erected, there was a net cash balance on hand July 1st, 1908 of \$1,450.31.

Settlement was had with the treasurer and all bills paid.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

W. J. BRANTON,
Chairman.
G. W. TIDWELL,
Secretary.

Proceedings County Commissioners.

Madison, Fla., Aug. 3, 1908.

The Board of County Commissioners met this day with all members present. Board was called to order by the chairman and reading of minutes was dispensed with.

This meeting being held for the purpose of hearing complaints from persons being dissatisfied with the assessed valuation of their property for taxes. The assessor presented the tax books for 1908 as made out by him for inspection and comparison by the board. The assessor presented a certified copy of a recommendation to the Comptroller signed by the chairman of this board purporting to be the action of the whole board in session, recommending that a reduction of \$500 per mile be made in the assessment for taxes of the South Georgia and West Coast Railroad, and upon consideration thereof upon motion it was ordered that the clerk of the board communicate with the Comptroller and inform him that no members of the board concurred with the chairman in making said recommendation (the matter not having been brought before the Board in session) and respectfully recommend and ask the Comptroller not to make said reduction but to assess said railroad for this year at the same rate or valuation as last year.

The following tax levy was made for the year 1908, to-wit:

General Revenue	2 mills
Schools	5 mills
Fire and Fortification	1 mill
Roads and Bridges	1 1/2 mills
County Bonds	1 1/2 mills

Total county levy.....11 1/2 mills

And after remaining in session for several hours and no one appearing to render any complaint, on motion board adjourned until Wednesday morning next, 9 o'clock.

August 5th, 1908.

The Board of County Commissioners met this day in regular session, all members present. Board was called to order by the chairman and minutes of last three meetings were read and approved.

On motion Mrs. Moye, pauper, who was dropped from the list on June 8, was restored on said list at \$4 from June 1, 1908. On motion Miss Mary Rogers was put on pauper list at \$5 per month from date. On motion Mrs. Jane Edgingfield was raised from \$3 to \$4 per month from date and Sam Richards was put on the list at \$2 per month from date.

E. J. Vann, managing Trustee of Madison county bonds, appeared before the board and stated that he had on hand sufficient funds to take up two five hundred dollar bonds, recommended that the board draw two bonds for \$500 each, whereupon bonds Numbers 36 and 49 for \$500 each were drawn and called in for payment.

Commissioner Shaw reported that he had let contract to repair McCoy creek bridge to W. L. Cruse for \$24. Commissioner Bishop reported that he had let contract to repair bridge on Cone creek to R. B. Pitts for \$9, also contract to repair bridge at Sandy Ford to J. D. Walker for \$5. Commissioner McLeod reported that he had let contract to repair bridge across Salt ditch to J. D. Jarvis for \$20, also to D. W. J. Davis to repair shipments to Barnett bridge for \$85, all of which was approved by the board.

A petition was read asking the board to join with Jefferson County in putting a new bridge across Gum Swamp near N. B. Smith's place,

and after considering same upon motion J. W. Bishop, J. E. Williams and H. F. Rye were appointed a committee to meet and confer with the Jefferson board upon being notified of the time and place of meeting.

Petition asking for a public road to be established from Taylor county line, near W. R. Timmons place, intersecting Perry and Lamont public road north of A. J. Amon's place, on motion granted with the understanding that said road be established without cost to the county, and J. A. Hamilton, J. S. Cone and A. J. Amon were appointed commissioners to mark out and lay off said road.

Notarial bonds of T. J. Clyatt and G. B. Haven were approved, and board adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On motion J. W. Bishop was instructed to make out bill and present to Beabston Co., for the use of road engine and machinery while grading at Greenville by the Greenville Improvement Co.

On motion the chairman was instructed to appoint a committee of three of which he was to be included, to inspect the new steel bridge across the Withlacoochee river near Ellaville, when same is completed, where upon commissioners Williams and Rye were appointed as the other members of the committee.

The clerk was ordered to communicate with Good Roads Machinery Co., in regard to adjustment of certain claim by said company against the board. J. C. Harrell was given an option to sell the road engine and other road machinery belonging to the county.

Moved that the chairman contract to have two steel bridges built over Turkey creek and Little Aucilla at Cone's crossing, provided same can be bought at list prices on deferred payments without interest. If not, to have said bridges built of wood.

Bills were taken up and paid as follows:

J. D. Jarvis, rep. Salt ditch bridge	90.00
H. W. Jarvis, work on Burnett bridge	80.00
Blackley McLeod, let and disp. same	91.90
R. B. Pitts, rep. Little Aucilla bridge	100.00
J. E. Williams, rep. bridge	85.00
B. F. Underwood, painting Blue Springs bridge	50.00
W. L. Cruse, rep. McCoy creek bridge	24.00
J. T. Bishop, hauling and putting down planks on road	5.00
W. L. Cruse, rep. McCoy creek bridge	24.00
S. Shaw, rep. bridge work	29.90
Electric Power Co., lights ch. and jail, July	12.15
T. F. Cahoon, lumber for road	7.50
S. J. Elliott, coal taxes 1907	100.00
Converse Bridge Co., 1/2 guard railing for same	10.00
new steel bridge	12.00
R. J. Patterson, rep. bridge	75.00
R. J. Patterson, on aug. taxes 1908	100.00
do, do, 1907-1908	100.00
B. F. Manley, scale for same	1.75
New Remington, publishing	22.50
J. D. Walker, work on Sandy Ford bridge	5.00
J. W. Bishop, rep. bridge work	24.10
I. A. Barnett, hauling and putting down planks on road	10.00
A. D. Stanton, commission on fees collected	18.00
do, of previous, July	30.00
Co. Judge, cost in Piquet case	1.00
do, do, do	8.45
Co. judge, do	11.00
do, do, do	11.00
W. J. G. Wadsworth and R. Baker	2.00
Co. Judge, cost in Wright case	1.15
do, do, do	5.10
L. J. Porter, buying planks	3.00
McLeod Bros. buying planks	8.00
R. B. Pitts, work on Cone crossing	9.00
T. W. Dale, rep. and dis. on bridge	24.84
T. J. Martin, on mounting	50.00

Tax Collector presented report of taxes collected during the month of July as follows:

General Revenue	5,381.18
Schools	12,725.00
Roads and Bridges	305.10
Fire and Fortification	25.97
County Bonds	400.10
Public	90.00

Total.....29,227.35

Seaboard Air Line Railway.

General Revenue	15,775.44
Schools	3,725.00
Roads and Bridges	805.10
Fire and Fortification	75.00
County Bonds	400.00

Total.....20,780.54

Total collection for month of July, \$5,418.40, and same was ordered reported to State Auditor.

T. W. Dale, county treasurer, presented his books and accounts and made settlement with the county for the month of July. Same were checked up and found correct with the following balances to credit of the different funds, to-wit:

General Revenue	15,889.74
Fire and Fortification	2,804.50
Roads and Bridges	1,206.50

Total cash in Treasury.....\$ 19,899.74

which was ordered reported to the State Auditor.

There being no further business on motion Board adjourned until the next regular meeting.

T. Z. MARTIN, Clerk.

A Tribune to Mrs. N. W. McDonald.

The death of Mrs. McDonald which occurred on the 8th day of June fills us with sorrow and we realize that earth is poorer, and a multitude of men and women feel a sense of loss because of her exaltation and removal from sight.

Yet her hallowing ennobling influence abides, and we must praise Jesus because she once lived to bless us.

All who knew her well recognized her spirituality, her helpfulness and wise counsel.

Her's was a beautiful useful life, not only in her home, about her own fireside, with her husband and daughters, but in the largest sense, beautiful and useful in the church and the wide world.

We as a body of women of the Home Mission Society, doing the Lord's work, pledge ourselves to emulate her example, and while we grieve for her and will miss her, we will meet her where suffering is not known.

RESOLVED: That we make a special supplication for the family left without the mother, and the husband bereft of a wife and tender our sympathy to them at this time.

That a copy of this action of the committee of the Home Mission Society be sent to the family, copied in our city paper and spread upon the pages of our record book.

Mrs. C. B. ASHLEY,
Miss VANE WILSON,
Mrs. AMANDA HARVEY,
Committee.

Letter to J. W. Barrett.

MADISON, FLA.

Dear Sir:—This is short. Every job painted Devine takes less gallons than of any other paint. If not, so pay.

Yours truly,

F. W. DEVINE & Co.
P. S. D. G. Smith sells our paint.

Prof. Walter Cate writes us from Sweetwater, Tenn., where he has been spending his vacation, that by order of the School Board the Florida Normal and High School will throw open its doors on Sept. 1st. The Normal department of the school will open up for business one week later, on the 8th. The professor will be home in a few days and at once prepare for the school opening. Mrs. Cate will not return until October. Get your books out and wipe the dust from them, children, for school days are near at hand.

The revival meeting at the Rocky Spring church, four miles north of town, has been attended with a real religious awakening. Rev. Harfinger, of Mayo, who has been doing the preaching, is a young minister of grace and power, and his sermons during the meeting have been productive of great good in that community. Three preaching services were held last Sunday, and the good people of the neighborhood brought their dinner with them and spread it on the ground. Quite a number of town people spent the day out there.

RUN-OVER LOCALS

The Weather.

For the week ending Sunday, Aug. 9th, as the record of the U. S. Weather Bureau at this place shows, was as follows:

TEMPERATURE:	
Average maximum	95°
Average minimum	83°
Highest, Monday	100°
Lowest, Sunday	70°

RAINFALL:

Thursday, .03; Saturday, .20; Sunday, 1.07. Total: 1.30 inches.

Ice Cream fresh every day at D. G. Smith's.

Col. Randall Rowe made a professional visit to Lake City Monday.

Dannette Mays is at home again after a couple of weeks pleasantly spent in visiting relatives at Tallahassee.

Mrs. N. C. Bryan, Mrs. Bryan and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bryan returned home Tuesday night from Hampton Spring.

P. L. Finford of the Ebb section of the county, was a business visitor in the city Tuesday and paid this office an appreciated call.

Mrs. S. J. Ellison and Walter Overstreet are at home again after several weeks delightfully spent with her and brother, Frank Ellison, at Laverne.

John Morrow left last Saturday morning for Mayo where he is this week engaged in attending to the musical feature of a revival meeting being conducted by R. V. Burke Calpepper.

Wash Suttley has accepted a position at the hardware store of Tharin & Leslie where he will be pleased to see all of his friends and serve them. "Uncle Wash" is one of Madison most popular citizens and salesmen and his friends live in every section of the county.

A large force of railroad hands arrived in town Monday and at once proceeded to arrange a camp along the route of the Madison Southern Railway which will be constructed in a southerly direction as rapidly as possible. This force of hands will also complete the work of connecting Valdosta Southern and S. A. L. railways at a point south of the lake of the Florida Manufacturing Co., the trestle across the lake for been built some weeks ago, only iron remaining to be laid.

Three new members enrolled (2) came on the Baraca Class list at Methodist Sunday school last Sunday, bringing the total membership up to 27. The class met last Sunday for the first time in its new class room which is larger and cooler than the room heretofore used. The members are welcoming with great delight the first of what we trust will be a series of entertainments. Mr. Louis Fraleigh, the efficient secretary, has invited all members of the class to be his guests at his home to night, and he wants to welcome every member.

It was the universal opinion of those present at the Pinesand picnic on last Friday that the people of Pinesand understand the art of entertaining, and where all did so well it would seem impossible to mention names, but the Armstrongs, Boggs, Luciers, Moores, Patersons and Wilsons, aided by others, were unremitting in their attentions to visitors. The forenoon was spent in pleasant intercourse and making and renewing acquaintances. Ice cream and lemonade was bountifully served by the ladies, from which they realized a neat sum for church purposes. At high noon dinner was announced, and truly, it was a feast of good things. One rarely sees such well cooked delicacies, and after all the people were served there were oceans left. At three o'clock the crowd went in the church and Dr. Minkie was made Master of Ceremonies—he also made a short talk that was well received. It is easily seen that the choir is a prime favorite there. The choir is a good one and they gave us some fine music. Three little misses—Perry, Paterson and Armstrong—did their share towards entertaining with well rendered recitations and songs. At four o'clock the men and boys adjourned to the baseball grounds—a beautiful square in the open woods about a quarter of a mile from the church. Then the women held a Missionary service led by Miss Denham of Monticello, who gave a most admirable talk, and at her suggestion Miss Armstrong and Mrs. D. G. Smith told what each society was doing for the cause of Missions. Later the women went to the baseball ground but for fear of hurting feelings well to tell the score of the game.

VISITOR